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Councillor Capt. C.L. Hollands

January, 1968.

To his Worship the Mayor, Aldermen and Members of the Borough Council.

Your Worship, Gentlemen,

I have pleasure in presenting the Annual Report of the Medical Officer of Health for the year 1966 in accordance with regulations 5 (3) and 15 (5) of the Public Health Officers (Outside London) Regulations 1959.

The statistics of the Borough continue to show a satisfactory trend. The population increased by a further 260 and there were 28 more births than last year. The natural increase in population rose from 74 last year to 96. The birth rate rose to 21.10 births per 1000 population which compares with 18.87 in 1965. Stillbirths fell from 6 last year to 1; the death rate remains about the same as last year, but infant deaths increased to a total of 4 - half of these being due to prematurity. No maternal deaths occurred in 1966. For the present year the Registrar General has prepared rates for England & Wales which can be compared with those in the Borough. These show the Borough birth, death and infant mortality rates higher than the average for the country, but the stillbirth rate is much lower. Just over 50% of deaths at all ages were due to Heart Disease; 5% had a respiratory cause; 17% were from Cardio Vascular Disease of the Central Nervous System and 13% from all forms of cancer. An equal number of cancer deaths occurred in the common sites of the disease, stomach, lungs and breast.

As in previous years the steady growth of new housing continued; 32 Admiralty, 28 council and 26 private houses were erected. 17 dwellings were modernised by grants and housing defects were remedied in 157 houses. Food hygiene is concerned with the preparation of clean, safe food, free from bacteria able to cause food poisoning. The chain of manufacture, storage, distribution, and preparation is so complex that ample opportunity is available for contamination by faulty methods, human carelessness, or insect and animal despoilation. During the year a number of food premises were modernised and the Inspectors continued their important work of supervising food handlers in the town. 9 complaints regarding food were received and in 4 instances successful action was taken in the Courts.

Health Screening techniques are becoming an important part of preventive medicine. The Mass Miniature X-Ray Service is well known having been available since the inception of the National Health Service. In large towns the opportunity for members of the public to have a battery of screening tests annually is being tried out. Other schemes have screened large populations for one specific defect e.g. sugar in urine. Scrutiny of the results seem to cast doubt on their value if applied throughout the country. Certainly more information is needed before contemplating them for towns of Helston's size. I feel a more fruitful approach would be limited screening methods within individual practices. The new Health Centre will offer the chance of developing these ideas. In Helston last year clinics for the collection of Cervical Smears for cancer tests in women over the age of 35 years started in March. At these clinics the opportunity is taken to test urine and teach those attending how to carry out a simple examination of the breast. There has been a steady demand for this service which serves the Borough and it's immediate hinterland. 15 clinics were held during the 9 months at which 210 women attended.

With the opening of the new hospital at Treliske, Truro, the concept of a District Hospital came into being. This will provide an up-to-date hospital with all the major consultant specialities serving West and Central Cornwall. This will not change the present arrangements

of treatment and out-patient facilities at the West Cornwall Hospital, Penzance for residents of the Borough. Major accidents will still attend the Casualty Unit at the Royal Cornwall Infirmary, Truro. The old standing problem of treatment for summer visitors in Helston will still remain and be a source of annoyance and inconvenience to local residents and their guests. During the height of the season not only does the influx of visitors place a considerable extra burden on the establishment of the hospital services, but staff are depleted when colleagues are on holiday. Over the last few years a number of apposite comments from irate holiday makers have been made about the apparent inadequacy of treatment facilities in Helston. This problem is highlighted during the holiday season, but it also affects residents in the Lizard Peninsula throughout the year. Representations have been made by the Borough Council to the West Cornwall Hospital Management Committee. Now that Cornwall presents an image as a Tourists Centre, it is imperative that health services are commensurate with the population they serve.

In presenting my seventh Annual Report for the Borough I wish to express my thanks for the support of the Chairman of the Public Health and Housing Committees, members of the Committees, Officers of the Council and for the work of the staff in the Public Health Department and the Area Health Office.

I am,


Your Obedient Servant,

J.A.W.REID,

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P R E F A C E.

Public Health Department,
The Guildhall,
Helston.

To His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen and Councillors of the Borough of Helston.

Your Worship and Gentlemen,

This has been a year in which progress has been steady, additional amenities have been provided and a general improvement of existing facilities.

The growth of Helston continues particularly in the field of housing. The town has a far greater percentage of new houses built and under construction during the year than any other district in Cornwall. This will obviously be shown in the population figure for 1967.

The Council provide plots for sale to private individuals in Helston and due to the success of this scheme plans are in hand to develop 16 acres in Porthleven in a similar manner.

There has been continued development in the Osborne Park and Gwealhellis areas and it is now necessary to provide a new sewer to serve the areas beyond Osborne Park to the new industrial site.

Land has been provided for industrial purposes, the Board of Trade factory has been built and will be in operation in January 1967. A further site has been sold and building works will commence early in 1967. It is evident that more land for industrial purposes will have to be bought.

Plans are in hand for a further extension to the cattle market by the provision of new calf pens.

Work on the sewer outfall at Porthleven has been completed except for remedial works which must now wait for favourable conditions early in 1967.

Little progress has been made on the new scheme for Helston Sewage Works and with the ever increasing use of these works it is becoming more and more difficult to maintain the standard required by the Cornwall River Authority.

The staff continue to work as an efficient happy unit and there are no staff problems even though the work handled by the department is increasing tremendously.

My thanks are due to the Mayor, Aldermen and Councillors for their assistance and understanding during the past year and to the staff of the department for their efficiency, co-operation and conscientious manner they have carried out their respective duties.

I am, Sirs,

Your Obedient Servant

R. B. Hall.

Chief Public Health Inspector.

SECTION A.

1. (a) Physical and Social Statistics.

Area of the Borough	(Estimate).....	4017 acres
	(Census 1961).....	4014 acres
Density, Houses per acre	(Census 1951).....	0.43
	(Census 1961).....	0.58
	Estimate 1966	0.67
Persons per acre	(Census 1951).....	1.4
	(Census 1961).....	1.8
	Estimate 1966	2.04
Number of families sharing a dwelling	Census 1961.....	33
Population		
Mid year estimate.....	1934.....	5026
Mid year estimate.....	1951.....	5601
Census population.....	1951.....	5545
Mid year estimate.....	1961.....	6960
Census population.....	1961.....	7086
Mid year estimate.....	1965.....	8460
Dwellings		
(a) Houses		
Total inhabited.....		2750
Total Council.....		667
New Private Dwellings 1966.....		66
New Council Dwellings 1966.....		30
(b) Caravans		
Residential.....		134
Seasonal only.....		4
Total Caravans.....		138
No of caravans on unlicensed sites.....		Nil
Ratio of houses to residential caravans....		20.1
Provision of Services		
Percentage of dwellings on mains water		
Census 1961.....		96.8
Percentage of dwellings on water carriage		
sewerage. Census 1961.....		91.1
Refuse Collection		
Percentage of dwellings which have house		
refuse collection		100
Revenue		
Rateable value of Borough		£238,379
Product of penny rate.....		£1,050

I am indebted to Mr. A. Stokes, Manager of the Employment Exchange for the following information on employment, unemployment, disablement and rehabilitation in Helston and District.

Unemployment.

289 men and 154 women were unemployed at the end of the year. The industries most affected were:-

<u>Industry</u>	<u>Men</u>	<u>Women</u>	<u>Total</u>
Agriculture.....	16	-	16
Fishing	59	-	59
Transport & Communication.....	16	-	16
Building Construction.....	74	-	74
Hotel and Catering	18	48	66
Distributive Trades.....	22	28	50
	<u>205</u>	<u>76</u>	<u>281</u>

Disablement

The number of disabled on the Disabled Persons Register were:-

	<u>Men</u>	<u>Women</u>	<u>Total</u>
Surgical.....	55	6	61
Medical.....	55	3	58
Psychiatric.....	6	-	6
Others.....	11	2	13
	<u>127</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>138</u>

Analysis of Unemployed Registered Disabled Persons on Live Register April, 1966.

	<u>Men</u>	<u>Women</u>	<u>Total</u>
Surgical	7	-	7
Medical.....	8	1	9
Psychiatric.....	3	-	3
Others.....	-	-	-
	<u>18</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>19</u>

Rehabilitation.

One man entered the Industrial Rehabilitation Unit during the year and five men accepted and started training at a Government Training Centre.

Sickness Morbidity.

I am indebted to Mr.G.H.Webb, Manager, Ministry of Social Security, Helston, for the following table giving the number of new claims of sickness and injury benefit for 1966:-

	<u>Sickness Benefit</u>	<u>Injury Benefit.</u>
January	255	16
February	231	17
March	349	15
April	204	7
May	152	16
June	148	5

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(d) Sickness Morbidity

I am indebted to Mr. G.H.Webb, Manager, Ministry of Social Security, Helston, for the following table giving the number of new claims of sickness and injury benefit for 1966:-

	<u>Sickness Benefit.</u>	<u>Injury Benefit</u>
January	255	16
February	231	17
March	349	15
April	204	7
May	152	16
June	148	5
July	146	18
August	151	17
September	134	11
October	117	14
November	223	14
December	116	13
	<u>2226</u>	<u>163</u>

2. Vital Statistics

(a) Live Births

	<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Rate</u>
Total.....	97	113	210	
Legitimate.....	93	110	203	
Illegitimate.....	4	3	7	
Birth Rate (Crude).....				24.82
Comparability Factor.....				.85
Standardised Birth Rate (per 1,000 population)....				21.10
Illegitimate Rate (Percentage of Live Births).....				3.33
Total Live and Still Births.....			211	

(b) Still Births

Total.....	1	-	1	
Legitimate.....	1	-	1	
Illegitimate.....	-	-	-	
Still Birth Rate (per 1,000 total live & still births)				4.74
Still Birth Rate (per 1,000 estimated resident population).....				.19

(c) General Deaths (excluding Still Births)

All causes.....	114	
Death Rate (Crude).....		13.48
Comparability Factor.....		Not available
Standardised Death Rate (per 1,000 population)		" "
Maternal Deaths.....		Nil
Maternal Mortality (per 1,000 total live & still births)		Nil

(d) Deaths of Infants under one year.

	<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Rate</u>
Total.....	4	-	4	
Legitimate.....	4	-	4	
Illegitimate.....	-	-	-	
Legitimate Infant Deaths per 1,000 legitimate live births.....				19.71
Illegitimate Infant Deaths per 1,000 illegitimate live births.....				Nil
Infant Mortality (per 1,000 live births)				19.05

(e)	<u>Deaths of Infants under 4 weeks of age.</u>	<u>Rate</u>
	Total..... 4 male legitimate	
	Neo-natal mortality (per 1,000 total legitimate and illegitimate live births)	19.05

(f)	<u>Deaths of Infants under 1 week.</u>	
	Total 4 male legitimate	
	Early neo-natal mortality (per 1,000 total live births)	19.05
	Perinatal mortality (still births and deaths under 1 week combined, per 1,000 total live and still births)	23.70

(g)	<u>Maternal Mortality</u>	Nil
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(h) Infant Mortality - Causes and Ages at Death

<u>Disease</u>	<u>1 day and under.</u>
Birth Injury	1
Atelectosis	1
Prematurity	2

(1) Principal Causes of Deaths

	<u>All Ages</u>			<u>Percentage of Total Deaths</u>
	<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>	<u>Total</u>	
Heart.....	29	31	60	52.63
Cancer.....	11	7	18	17.54
Cardio Vascular Disease of the Central Nervouse System.....	7	8	15	13.16
Respiratory.....	4	2	6	5.26

(k) ROAD ACCIDENTS.

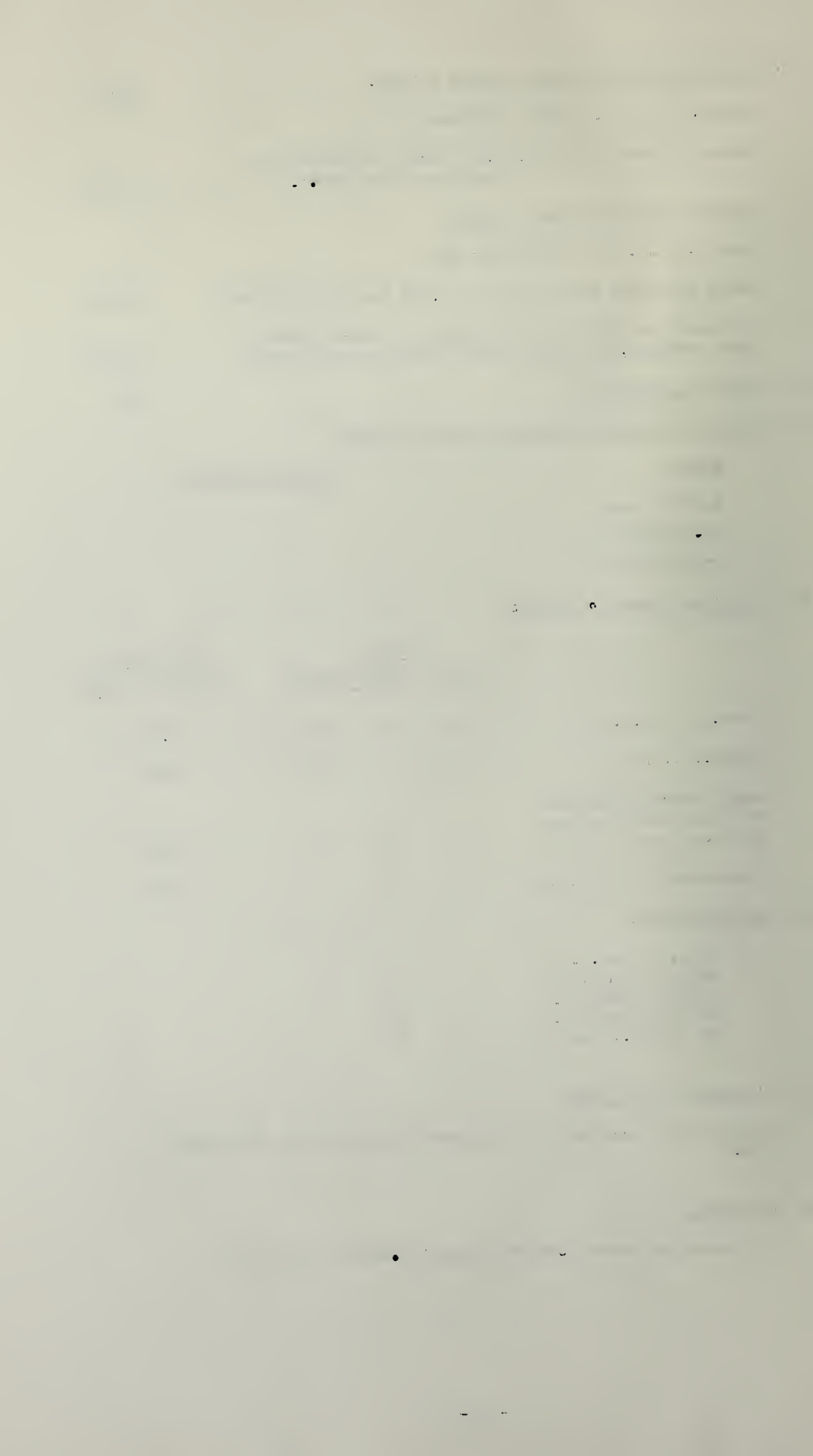
Fatal.....	1
Serious Injury....	11
Slight Injury.....	17
Animals involved..	13
No injury.....	92

(1) Accidents in the Home.

There were no accidents in the home in the Helston area during 1966.

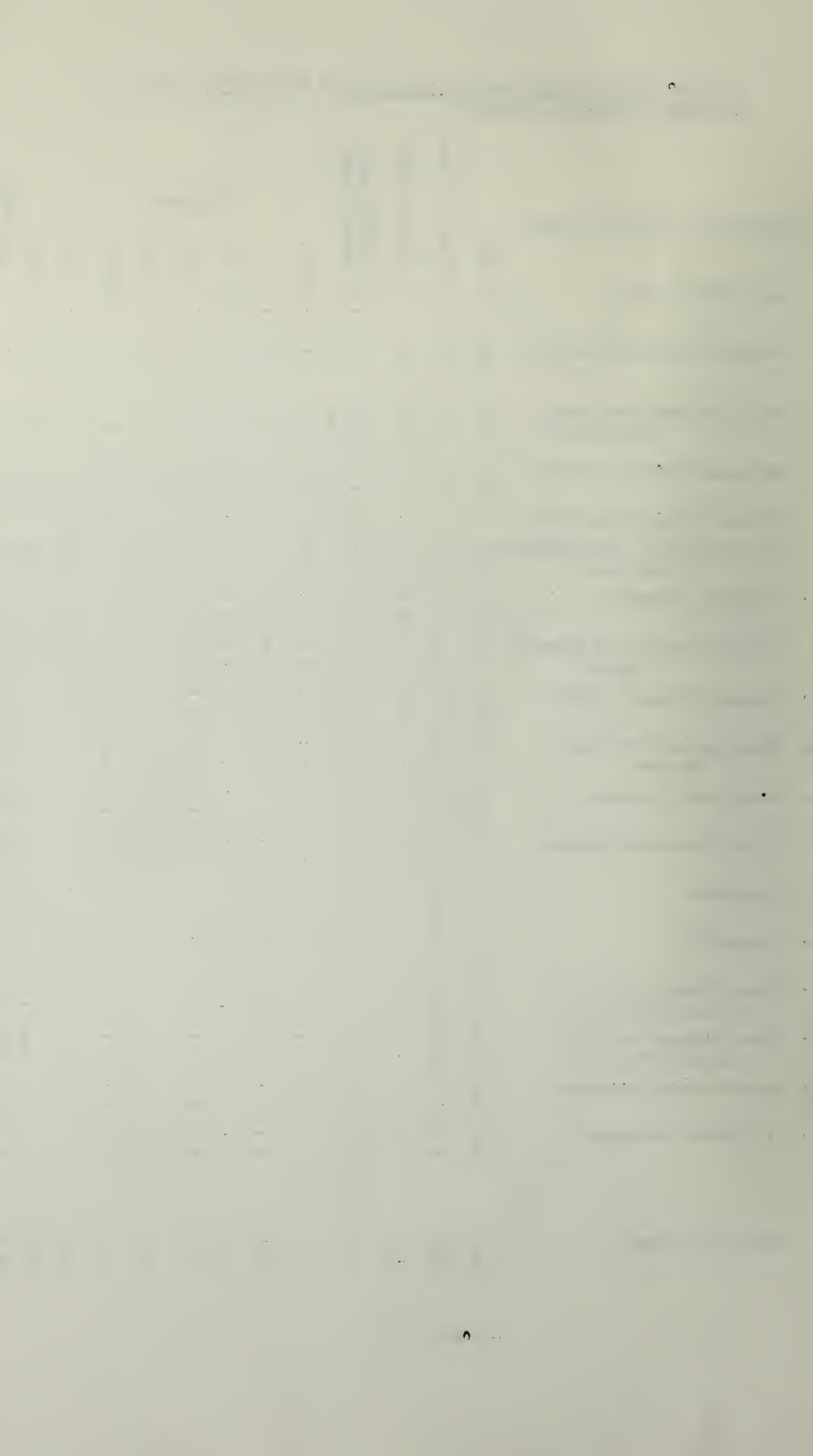
(m) Drownings

No person was drowned on the Borough's beaches last year.



Cause of Death at Different Periods of Life during 1966 in the
Municipal Borough of Helston.

International Classification	Sex	All Ages											
		Total all Ages	Under 4 weeks	4 weeks and under 1 year	1 - 5	5 - 15	15 - 25	25 - 35	35 - 45	45 - 55	55 - 65	65 - 75	75 & Over
3. Syphilitic Disease	M	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
10. Malignant Neoplasm, Stomach	M	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-
	F	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
11. Malignant Neoplasm, Lung, Bronchus.	M	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-
	F	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
12. Malignant Neoplasm, Breast	M	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	F	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
13. Malignant Neoplasm, Uterus	F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
14. Other Malignant and Lymphatic neoplasms	M	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	4	-	-
	F	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	-
15. Leukamia, Aleukamia	M	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	F	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
17. Vascular, Lesions of Nervous system	M	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	3	-
	F	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	6	-
18. Coronary Disease, Angina	M	13	-	-	-	-	-	1	3	-	7	2	-
	F	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	1	-
19. Hypertension with Heart Disease	M	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-
	F	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-
20. Other Heart Disease	M	13	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	11	-
	F	24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	6	17	-
21. Other Circulatory Disease	M	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
	F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
23. Pneumonia	M	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
	F	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
24. Bronchitis	M	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-
	F	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
25. Other Diseases of Respiratory System	M	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
	F	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
32. Other Defined and Ill-Defined Diseases	M	8	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	1	-
	F	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	2	-
33. Motor Vehicle Accidents	M	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
	F	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
34. All other Accidents	M	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
	F	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL ALL CAUSES	M	61	4	-	-	-	-	2	5	5	24	21	-
	F	53	-	-	1	1	-	1	1	5	11	33	-



Summary of Area Statistics

STATISTICS 1966.

General	Camborne- Redruth	Kerrier	Helston	Area No.2 Total 1966
Area in Acres.....	22,411	90,989	4,017	117,417
Population.....	37,200	22,820	8,460	68,480
No. of inhabited houses.....	13,348	8,019	2,750	24,117
Vital				
No. of Births.....	593	335	210	1,138
Standardised Birth rate.....	16.99	16.00	21.10	
No. of Still Births.....	18	7	1	26
Still Birth Rate (per 1,000 live and still births).....	29.46	20.46	4.74	
Infant Deaths.....	7	2	4	13
Infant Mortality Rate.....	11.80	5.97	19.05	
Maternal Mortality.....	Nil	Nil	Nil	
Maternal Mortality Rate (per 1,000 live & still births)	Nil	Nil	Nil	
No. of Deaths.....	524	270	114	908
Standardised Death Rate.....	12.32	11.13	Not available	
Principal causes of Death (percentage of Total Deaths)			Crude rate 13.48	
(a) Infants under 1 year				
Infection.....	28.55%	Nil	Nil	
Congenital.....	14.29%	Nil	Nil	
Prematurity.....	14.29%	Nil	50%	
Atelectasis.....	14.29%	50%	25%	
Others.....	14.29%	50%	Nil	
Birth Injury.....	14.29%	Nil	25%	
(b) All Ages				
Respiratory.....	10.50	9.26	5.26	
Cancer.....	21.18	18.14	17.54	
Heart.....	37.79	48.52	52.63	
Cardio-Vascular Disease of the Central Nervous System	16.03	12.22	13.16	
Infectious Diseases				
Tuberculosis				
Notifications (new cases only)				
Respiratory.....	8	4	2	14
Non-Respiratory.....	2	1	-	3
Incidence Rate -				
Respiratory.....	0.21	0.18	0.24	
Non-Respiratory.....	0.05	0.04	-	

STATISTICS 1966				
	Camborne- Redruth	Kerrier	Helston	Area No.2 Total 1966
Infectious Diseases				
Tuberculosis (contd)				
Tuberculosis Deaths				
Pulmonary.....	2	-	-	2
Non-Pulmonary	-	-	-	-
Death Rate -				
Pulmonary	0.05	-	-	
Non-Pulmonary.....	-	-	-	
Other Infectious Diseases				
Pneumonia.....	23	1	-	24
Measles.....	96	50	66	212
Whooping Cough.....	13	4	1	18
Dysentery.....	-	3	-	3
Scarlet Fever.....	8	1	-	9

(Rates are given per 1,000 population)

SECTION B

GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES IN THE BOROUGH.

1. Local Sanitary Services.

(a) Staff

(i) Helston Borough Council (Local Sanitary Authority)

Medical Officer of Health

Dr. J.A.W. REID, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H., M.R.S.H.

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Deputy Chief Public Health Inspector

Mr. R.W. BYWATERS, M.A.P.H.I., N.C.B.

Additional Public Health Inspector.

Mr. J.A. CADMAN, M.A.P.H.I.

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Miss D.J. GOODHALL

Rodent Operator

Mr. J. MARTIN

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Clinic Doctor

Dr. W. JACKSON., M.B., B.C.L. (commenced 3/1/66)

Dentist

Mr. J.E. KENNY, L.D.S.

Assistant County Nursing Officer.

Miss V. COVENTRY, S.R.N., S.C.M., Q.N.S., H.V. Cert.

Health Visitors.

Miss N. SPALDING

Miss M.A. BOWYER

Mrs. L.E. PEARCE

Miss N. YUILLE (T.B. Health Visitor)

District Nurse/Midwives

Mrs. G.R.E. BERRY

Mrs. C. JANE

Home Help Organiser

Mrs. A.M. LENNOX.

Dental Attendant

Miss P. OATES

Mental Welfare Officers

Mr. J. ALLAM

Mr. K.J. HUNT

Mrs. M. BENNETTS

Welfare Officers

Mr. T.H.E. BECKETT

Mr. C.T. HARVEY (Study leave 1966)

Mr. W.C. NICHOLLS (commenced 12.9.66)

Clerical Staff

Mr. D. MAY

Mrs. P.R. PHILLIPS

Mrs. V.E. PAUL

Mrs. F.M. CLAYTON

Miss J. HODGE (Part-time)

One third of the Medical Officer of Health's time is devoted to the Personal Health Services which are the function of No. 2 Area Health Sub-Committee of the Cornwall County Council.

(b) Laboratory Facilities.

Pathological and bacteriological specimens requiring examination are sent to the Public Health Laboratory, Royal Cornwall Infirmary, Truro. Hereunder is a summary of the investigations carried out:-

Paratyphoid Contacts	Urine	4
	Faeces	4
Dysentery	Faeces	5

(c) National Assistance Act 1948 and (Amendment) Act 1951 - Section 47.

Removal to suitable premises of persons in need of care and attention.

It was not necessary to take any action under this Act during the year, but the Medical Officer of Health visited 2 males and 3 females who were in need of care and attention.

(2) Old People's Register.

6 old persons, 4 females and 2 males were added to the register. At the end of the year the total number of old people known to the Public Health Department was 56.

Details of the new females and males are as follows:-

65 - 70 years	.....2	(2 females)
71 - 75 years	.....Nil	(-)
76 - 80 years	.....2	(1 females and 1 male)
81 - 85 years	.....1	(1 female)
80 - 90 years	.....1	(1 male)

Referrals

4 persons came to the notice of the Health Visitors in their districts. The remaining 2 cases were referred by the Neighbours.

Disability

2 suffered from frailty of old age, 2 from poor vision and 2 from bronchitis.

Living Alone

1 of the 6 old persons lived alone.

Housing

1 of the cases lived in a terraced house, 2 in a flat, 1 in a cottage and 2 in a bungalow.

Assessment of Needs

In 5 instances, health visiting supervision was all that was required. 1 case required a Home Help.

2. Local Health Authority Services.

Personal Health Services.

The following Personal Health Services are provided under the National Health Service Act, 1946, by the Cornwall County Council and are administered through No. 2 Area Health Sub-Committee on which the Rural District is represented by 4 members and the Borough by 1 member.

(a) Care of Mothers and Young Children (Section 22)

Ante-natal guidance was provided as in past years

The following educational classes for expectant mothers were held:-

Sessions held during 1966.....	39
Mothers attending during 1966.....	87
Attendances during 1966	346
Average attendance per session.....	9

The following table shows the number of infants and toddlers who attended the clinic and the number of visits these children made to the clinic throughout the year.

	<u>Helston</u>	<u>Porthleven</u>
First attendance during year of children born in		
.....Present Year	229	47
.....Last Year	219	25
Born in previous 4 years	190	11
Total under 1 year	1850	298
Attendance over 1 year	1329	132
Total attendance	3179	430

Welfare Foods.

Welfare Foods are distributed from the following centres:-

Helston Turnpike	The Stores, Mullion
Helston- Perry's Stores	The Pharmacy, Mullion
The Stores, Porthleven	Post Office, Breage.
Church Fields, Mawgan Cross	Post Office, St. Keverne
The Lizard	Coverack
Manaccan	Post Office, Corwntown.

Family Planning

Advice was given to any mother requesting it (on this subject) as part of the Health Visitor's general duties during the past year.

9 mothers from the Kerrier Rural District were referred to the Family Planning Clinics at Camborne and Redruth.

(b) Midwifery - Section 23

There are 12 County Council midwives in the combined area of Helston and Kerrier

During the year they attended 166 confinements which represents 44% of the total births. Last year 379 expectant mothers had their babies in hospital.

112 cases were discharged from the Maternity Hospital to the care of the domiciliary midwife prior to the tenth day.

The following number of ante-natal and post-natal visits were made during the year.

	<u>Helston and Kerrier</u>
Post-natal.....	450
Ante-natal.....	3256

Kerrier Rural District.

	<u>Domiciliary</u>	<u>Hospitals</u>
Total Births.....	119	216
Full Time.....	110	200
Stillbirths.....	2	5
Premature Stillbirths.....	8	13
Neo-natal Deaths.....	-	2
Other Infant Deaths.....	-	-

Helston Borough

Total Births	47	163
Full Time	43	153
Stillbirths.....	-	1
Premature Stillbirths.....	4	10
Neo-Natal Deaths.....	1	3
Other Infant Deaths.....	-	-

Cytology Clinics

15 clinics were held between March and December

205 patients were seen by the Clinic Doctor

189 of these were satisfactory

15 patients were referred to the Family Doctor for treatment of minor conditions. Later their repeat smears were satisfactory

1 - person was found to have a positive smear and was admitted to hospital for investigation.

(c) Health Visiting - Section 24.

4 Full-time Health Visitors and 8 District Nurse/Midwife/Health Visitors work in the Helston and Kerrier areas, the following is a summary of the work carried out by them.

<u>Domiciliary Visits</u>	<u>Helston and Kerrier</u>
Children under 5 years	10,296
Aged and Infirm	1,069
Special Enquiries (Infants Deaths and Stillbirths)	7
Social Visits	398
Other cases	386

Attendance at Clinics

Welfare Clinics	99
Tuberculosis Clinics	94
Immunisations	78

Attendance at Schools

Medical Inspections	167
Cleanliness Inspections	140
Immunisation Sessions	50
Mothercraft	35

Helston and Kerrier

167
140
50
35

The Health Visitor is the General Social Worker responsible for advising all the families in her District and carries out the full range of duties in the Public Health and School Health fields, with the exception of tuberculosis visiting, venereal diseases, contact tracing, and supervision of handicapped persons. These latter tasks being allotted to specialist workers.

(d) Home Nursing - Section 25

12 Home Nurses and 1 part time nurse were engaged in District Nursing in the combined areas during 1966, and they made 24,654 home visits

Helston and Kerrier

Medical.....	16,941
Surgical.....	3,274
Tuberculosis.....	835
Maternal Complications...	57
Ante-Natal Educational Classes....	21
Others.....	3,526

(e) Vaccination and Immunisation - Section 26

The following table gives the number vaccinated and immunised at the clinics and by the doctors in the areas.

KerrierGeneral PractitionersClinics

Poliomyelitis-Full Course Oral	214	173
Oral Booster	32	55
Diphtheria/Whooping Cough/ Tetanus - Primary	151	22
- Booster	10	38
Diphtheria/Tetanus - Primary	2	13
Booster	68	117
Tetanus - Primary	5	8
- Booster	9	-
Smallpox - Primary	108	18
Smallpox-Re-vaccination	21	7

HelstonGeneral PractitionersClinics

Poliomyelitis - Full Course Oral	84	185
- Oral Booster	35	67
Diphtheria/Whooping Cough/ Tetanus - Primary	51	87
- Booster	34	58
Diphtheria/Tetanus - Primary	2	2
Diphtheria/Tetanus - Booster	30	70
Tetanus - Primary	12	-
Tetanus - Booster	8	-
Smallpox - Primary	57	66
Smallpox - Booster	17	-

NEW SCHEDULE OF IMMUNISATION.

<u>Age.</u>	<u>Prophylactic.</u>	<u>No. of Doses.</u>	<u>Interval.</u>
3 - 5 months	Triple - Half Volume	3	) To be given concurrently at monthly intervals
	Polio - Oral	3	
12 months	Smallpox Vaccine	1	
18 - 21 months	Triple - Half Volume	1	) To be given concurrently
	Polio - Oral	1	
School Entry	Diphtheria/Tetanus	1	) To be given concurrently
5 years	Adsorbed - 0.5 c.c.		
"	Polio - Oral	1	
8 - 12 years	Re-vaccination (Smallpox)	1	
10 years	Diphtheria/Tetanus Adsorbed - 0.25 c.c.	1	
11 + years	B.C.G. Vaccine		
15 years and every 5 years thereafter - Tetanus Toxoid (Adsorbed)			

(f) Ambulance Service - Section 27.

Week-days, during working hours, the Ambulance Depots at Redruth and Falmouth carry out the routine work in Helston Borough and Kerrier Rural District and deal with some accident and emergency cases.

In Helston, St. John Ambulance Division operate 2 ambulances and deal with the majority of accident and emergency cases during the day as well as at nights and week-ends.

(g) Prevention of Illness, Care and After-Care - Section 28.

1. Nursing Equipment.

Cases discharged from hospital and requiring after care are treated by the Home Nurse or supervised by the Health Visitor. Sick room equipment such as urine bottles, bedpans, bed rests, air cushions, mattresses, rubber sheeting can be had on loan.

2. Hospital - After Care.

The Assistant County Nursing Officer liases with the hospital staffs. Background reports of home and social conditions are made available to the medical staff and advance requests are made for home nursing, home help, or supervisory visits which the patient may require on discharge.

3. Welfare Workers.

To carry out the provisions of the National Assistance Act, 1948, two Welfare Officers and one Family Welfare Worker work in Area 2. The Family Welfare Worker devotes her time to problem families.

4. Mental Health

Under the Mental Health Act, 1960, two Mental Welfare Officers provide for admission to hospital of all mentally ill patients, and mentally sub-normal persons, and their subsequent after care and rehabilitation in the community.

5. Long Stay Immigrants.

Medical arrangements for immigrants include the offer of an x-ray of the chest and the registration of the person and his family with a family doctor. Most immigrants in the Rural District are food handlers employed for a number of months each year in the hotel business. No notifications of incoming immigrants were received during the year.

(h) Domestic Help Service - Section 29.

At the beginning of the year, 49 cases in Helston and Kerrier were being served by a Home Help, this increased by 7 by the 31st December, 1966. There were 61 new cases during the year. Throughout the year the equivalent of 6 full time Home Helps were employed.

The following table shows the number and types of cases assisted during the year:-

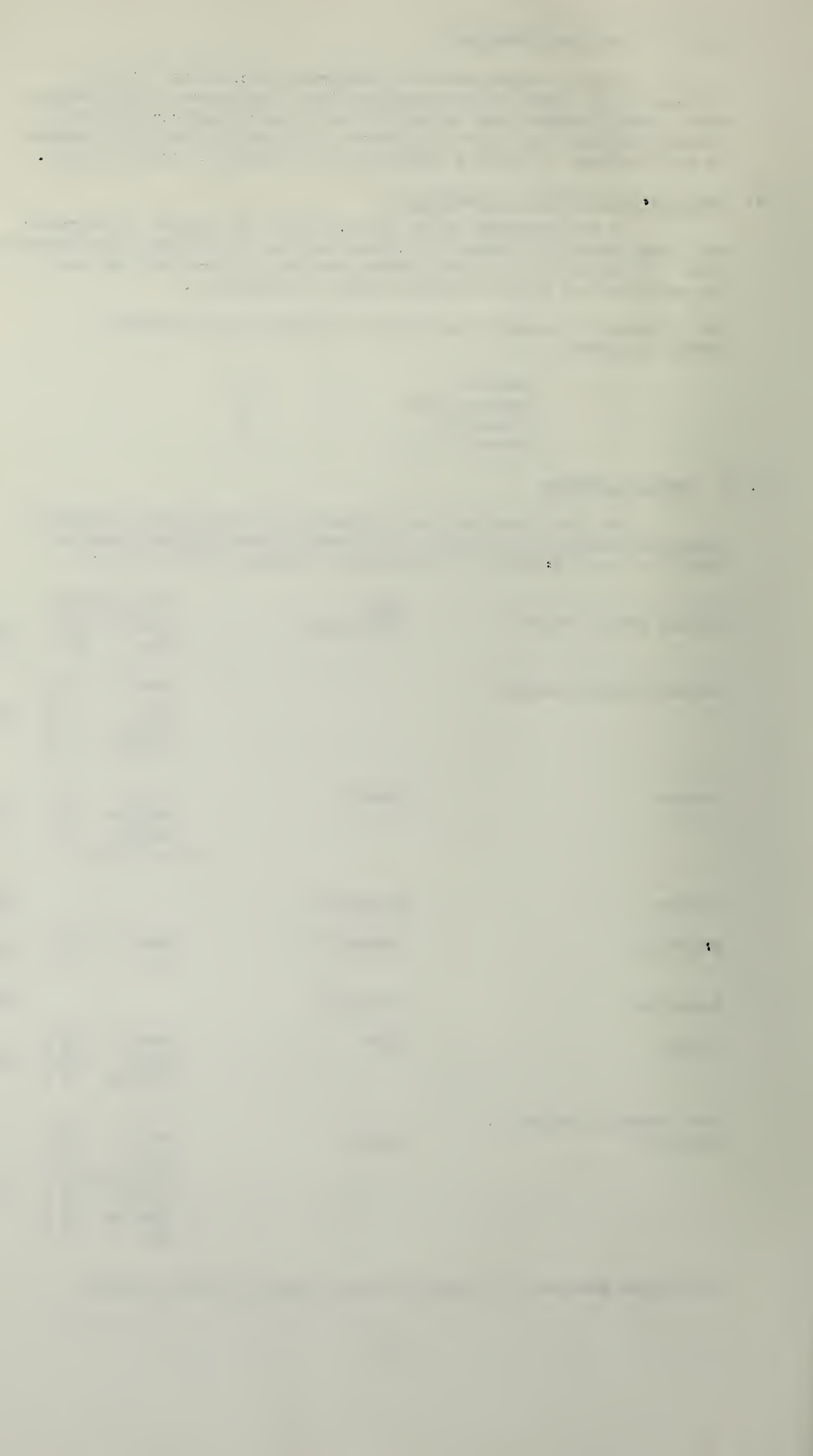
Over 65	66
Chronic Sick	7
Maternity	12
Others	19

3. (a) Hospital Service

The local services are administered by West Cornwall Hospital Management Committee on behalf of the South Western Regional Hospital Board, and the following are the hospital services for the area:-

	Type	No. of Beds		
Meneage House, Helston	Chronic Sick	Female	44	} 69
		Male	25	
Helston Cottage Hospital		Female	5	} 12
		Male	4	
		General	1	
		Amenity	2	
Redruth	General	Female	35	} 42
		Private	3	
		Amenity	2	
		Radiotherapy	2	
Redruth	Maternity			38
Barncoose	Geriatric	Female	106	} 137
		Male	31	
Barncoose	Maternity			20
Tchidy	Chest	Female	43	} 114
		Male	68	
		Private	3	
West Cornwall Hospital, Penzance	General	Female	28	} 92
		Male	28	
		Children	24	
		Private	3	
		Amenity	3	
		Eye	6	

Infectious Diseases are admitted to St. Clements Hospital, Truro.



Treliske Hospital.

Mr. Preston, Secretary of the West Cornwall Hospital Management Committee has kindly provided this information about the new District hospital which was open to patients in May, 1966. The development of the hospital is taking place in three phases:-

Phase I (already in being)

180 beds (3 surgical and 3 medical wards)
Staff Residence (83 rooms, 4 flats)
Operating Theatre Suite
Central Sterile Supply Department
Clinical Laboratories
X-ray Department
Pharmacy
Physiotherapy and Occupational Therapy Departments
Administration Block
Nurse Training School (Temporary)
Central Kitchen and Dining Room
Chapel
Boiler House
Day Case Unit

Phase II (now under construction)

Maternity Unit (80 beds + 20 special baby care beds)
Staff Accommodation (18 self-contained flats + 3 residential blocks)
Nurse Training School + Medical Conference Section
Staff Sick Bay

Phase III (still at the planning stage)

Out-patient Department	Accident Unit
Ward Block of 176 beds	Extensions to Medical
Recreation Centre	Service Departments
Laundry and Central Stores	School of Radiography
Isolation Block	Intensive Care Unit
	Relatives Overnight Stay
	Accommodation.

Clinics

The Chest Clinics are situated at Falmouth Hospital and the West Cornwall Hospital, Penzance. The times of the clinics are as follows:-

		<u>Falmouth</u>
Chest Clinic, New and Old Cases	Every Monday except the first Monday in the month	2.00 p.m.

Chest Clinic New and old cases	Every Friday	9.00 a.m.
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Contact Clinic	First Monday of every month	2.00 p.m.
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Penzance.

Chest Clinic New and old cases	Every Thursday morning	9.00 a.m.
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Contact Clinic	Second Wednesday of each month.	2.00 p.m.
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The close co-operation between the Area Medical Officer and the Chest Physician has been maintained throughout the year. The Health Visitor responsible for domiciliary visiting of cases of tuberculosis also acts as Clinic Nurse at the weekly Chest Clinics. A register of those patients requiring priority visiting and close supervision is kept in the Area Office.

Venereal Disease Clinic.

A clinic is held at Falmouth Hospital

Each Saturday

10 - 12 noon

and at West Cornwall Hospital, Penzance

on Thursdays

3 - 4 p.m.

4. General Practitioners Service.

12 doctors practice from surgeries in Kerrier and Helston

There are two practices of two doctors, 1 practice of four doctors and 4 practices with one doctor.

5. Mass X-Ray Unit.

The unit is available twice a month as follows:-

2nd and 4th Monday
of each month.

Car Park
Trenrouse Way
Helston

5.15 p.m. to 6.p.m.

6. Blood Transfusion Service

	<u>Sessions</u>	<u>Donors attending</u>
Helston	2	250

SECTION C - ENVIRONMENTAL HYGIENE

1 Water Supply.

(a) Mains.

The area is supplied with mains water by the Helston and Porthleven Water Company. The quality and quantity has been satisfactory throughout the year.

Discussions have taken place between interested bodies on the possibility of the use of Loe Pool as a reservoir and this seems very likely in the not too distant future. Loe Pool is the biggest natural lake in Cornwall.

A draft Order on the formation of a new South Cornwall Water Board has been approved.

(b) Samples

Bacteriological	2	-	Satisfactory
Chemical	1	-	Satisfactory

2 Sewage and Sewerage Disposal Helston

Helston has a sewage works consisting of detritus channels, screens, sedimentation tanks, storm tanks, percolating filters, sludge beds and humus tanks, the final effluent being discharged to a stream and thence to the River Cober. The works are still overloaded, and will be, due to extensive development in housing etc.

Further works have been done to improve facilities at these Works - the whole of the sludge beds have been re-laid with Naylor Tiles and plans have been finalised for sludge bed covers. One further humus tank has been brought into use. Culverting of the Pengella Stream alongside the Works has continued.

Sewer extensions are necessary in the Osborne Park area and a survey of the course of this sewer has been made. Difficulties are being experienced in the Gwealdues area due to defective sewer causing flooding during periods of heavy rain. It is thought that this sewer will have to be re-laid.

3. Sewage and Sewerage Disposal - Porthleven.

Work has continued on the new sewer outfall across the rocks to the sea at Porthleven. Difficulties are being experienced on tidal work and in heavy seas. The full length of the sewer is complete but a great deal of remedial works are necessary. Plans have been made to bring into the Wheal Rose area some 150 new properties.

4. Trade Effluent.

The blood pit arrests the blood from the slaughterhouse and this is pumped clean at weekly intervals. Difficulties have been experienced in the disposal of blood, particularly in wet weather. It is hoped that better arrangements will be made for disposal in 1967.

5. Public Health Inspections in the District

124 inspections have been made to various premises.

<u>Formal and Informal Notices</u>	<u>Served</u>	<u>Abated</u>
General Repairs	8	7
Animals	-	-
Drainage	2	2
W.C. Accommodation	1	1
Dangerous Buildings	-	-
Nuisances	1	1

6. Shops Act, 1950.

Inspections under the Offices Shops and Railway Premises Act 1963 are included under this heading

The initial survey under the Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act have been completed and supplementary visits have been made.

210 inspections were made and 34 informal notices served. 31 of these have been complied with.

7 Housing Act, 1957.

157 visits were made to premises under the Housing Act

Improvement and repairs to property is being well maintained and the co-operation of owners of properties is appreciated.

8. Factories Act 1961

13 visits were made during the year

Part 1 of the Act.

1. Inspections for the purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by Public Health Inspectors)

Premises	No on Register	Number of Inspect-ions	Written Notices	Occupiers Prosecut-ed.
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
(i) Factories in which Secs. 1 2 3 4 & 6 area to be enforced by Local Authorities	21	5	-	-
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Sec 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	51	8	3	-
(iii) Other premises in which Sec. 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding out-workers' premises)	3	-	-	-
TOTAL --	75	13	3	-

Cases in which defects were found :-

Lack of cleanliness 1 Lack of intervening ventilated space. 2

These defects have since been remedied

9 Clean Air Act 1956.

One complaint was dealt with under this Act. Informal action by letter was sufficient to remedy the matter.

10 Prevention of Damage by Pests Act 1949.

32 private dwellings were treated for rats and mice. These treatments are carried out immediately complaints are received. Nine business premises have been treated in a similar manner.

The Council's refuse tip received regular treatments.

Sewer treatments have not been carried out as a separate entity. Whenever treatments are associated with the sewer the area surrounding is treated.

11. Scrap Metal Dealers Act 1964

There are three persons registered under this Act

12. Rag Flock and Other Filling Material Regulations

There are no premises registered within the Borough.

13 Pet Animals Act 1954 and Animal Boarding Establishment Act 1963.

There are no premises within the Borough to which these Acts apply.

14 Visits and Inspections to various premises during the year were :-

Sewage Plant.....	273	Refuse Tips.....	186
Slaughterhouse.....	1261	Factories.....	13
Public Health Act.....	124	Market.....	246
Public Conveniences.....	64	Rodent Control.....	14
O.S.&R. Premises Act.....	210	Caravan Sites.....	24
Leats & Watercourses.....	187	Burial Grounds.....	75
Building Byelaws.....	523	Improvement Grants.....	72
Drainage Inspections.....	206	Infectious Diseases.....	4
Public Amenties.....	242	Housing Act.....	157
Food Inspections.....	21	Food & Drugs Act.....	41

15 Public Conveniences

There are eight public conveniences for each sex within the district. These are well maintained despite the vandalism which takes place occasionally

16. Refuse Collection and Disposal

The Council continues to provide a weekly collection to all parts of the district and a twice-weekly collection in respect of trade refuse in the area needing this service

A Dennis Paxit vehicle is used with a driver/loader two full-time operators and one part-time operator. The vehicle is working to its capacity and regular overtime is necessary during the summer months when refuse collection is at its highest. The Council have agreed to purchase another refuse collection vehicle which will reduce regular overtime and provide a more efficient collection service

One tip only is in use serving both Helston and Porthleven. Land is available only for the next 4 years

17. Cesspool and Gully Emptying

The Council provide an efficient gully and cesspool emptying service throughout the district. A bigger, new machine was purchased mid-way through the year. This vehicle is hired to neighbouring Authorities, when available.

18. Burial Grounds

Helston Cemetery.

Maintenance costs, in particular grass cutting, is becoming a problem. The cemetery is increasing in size and even though a new grass cutting machine has been purchased, at certain times in the year it is difficult to maintain a "smart appearance" in the cemetery.

Porthleven Cemetery.

The above comments apply to this cemetery but to a lesser degree. No further progress has been made with the new mortuary due to pressure of work.

A total of 76 visits have been made during the year to both cemeteries.

SECTION D - HOUSING IN THE AREA.

1. Housing Development

(a) Private Enterprise.

There is approximately 100 acres of land still available for residential development within the Borough

During the year 76 houses and bungalows were completed and further 111 were under construction. Plans for the erection of 174 more houses were approved during the year.

The Council made mortgages on properties up to 90% of the valuation.

26 loans were approved totalling £62,795.

(b) Admiralty Housing.

Work has continued on 215 housing units for the Admiralty, on the Bullock Lane site. 32 3Br. units have been completed and occupied.

(c) Re-housing of Old People

No further progress has been made during the year on this project.

(d) Council House Development.

Wheal Rose Estate continues to be developed. The Council's present programme on this estate is complete. Further plans are being prepared for a further 28 units

Trelawney Road Holston. 28 2Br flats and 2 3Br houses were completed. Further plans have been approved for 2 3Br houses and 4 1Br. flats

Outline plans have been prepared for various sites in the district which will be implemented next year

(e) Sale of Land for Building

The Council have made available land for 22 dwellings to be built by private individuals, the Council to develop the roads and sewers and sell the plot to the individual. This method has proved most successful

A further 6 acres of land will be made available in 1967 for similar development at Porthleven

2. Building Regulations

Inspections are carried out under the Building Regulations 1965, which came into operation in February this year. 523 visits were made

The Building Regulations have thrown much more work on the officers responsible for their administration and as development continues in such a rapid manner more work will fall upon them

The Building Regulations themselves are not concise in many respects and it has been found necessary to form a group of the senior officers to decide certain items and policy so as to achieve uniformity of decision throughout the county

3. Improvement Grants

17 applications were received- 14 Standard Grants and 3 Discretionary Grants. All of these were approved

The total amount approved was £3 428 £2 400 of this being in respect of Standard Grant applications.

Improvement Grants continued.

72 visits were made in respect of applications for grant. Enquiries and visits to intended applicants takes up a considerable period of time.

4. Slum Clearance

Six properties at Martin's Row Helston were demolished during the year. One Closing Order was made in respect of a property at Porthleven

Other properties are shortly to be dealt with as new houses are scheduled in the building programme

5. Caravan Sites Control of Development Act, 1960

There are seven permanent sites licensed under the above Act, comprising a total of 135 caravans. In addition there are 30 caravans which have a summer period licence only. These sites are well kept and comply with the Act in every respect

Holiday Facilities: A number of attempts have been made to obtain planning permission for sites in Porthleven, but these have not yet been successful. The sites which existed there previously have been closed

6. Problem Families

Most families with social problems which are beyond their capacity to solve come to the notice of the Health Department because of their living environment. If in unfit houses or caravans the state and size of the home is inadequate for the family; if in Council Houses, overcrowding, arrears of rent, bad housekeeping, unclean state of the home, are the problems which have to be tackled. Each Health Visitor is responsible for the welfare of all the families with whom she deals, and when she feels that a family needs day-to-day support in their home because of major or multiple social problems, she enlists the help of the Family Welfare Worker. Two Family Welfare Workers work in the Helston/Kerrier area.

During the year Supervision and help was given to eighteen families in the Borough of Helston and the Kerrier Rural District.

Two families ceased to have family welfare help and four new families were added to the Family Welfare Workers' case loads.

SECTION E - FOOD HYGIENE.

1. Supervision of Food.

(a) Inspections.

1302 routine inspections of food premises have been made during the year. Regular visits are made to food premises in order to keep them up to a good standard.

Visits to food premises were as follows :-

Slaughterhouse .	1261
Food Premises (including Ice-cream Dealers) .	41

(b) Contraventions

10 contraventions were reported to the Committee during the year.

Proceedings were instituted against the Firms concerned in four cases and warning letters were sent to the other six offenders

(c) Condemnations

Food stuffs condemned after voluntary surrender were destroyed or disposed of under the supervision of the Public Health Inspectors. 21 inspections being made for this purpose, the following items being condemned :-

Tinned Foods

Meats	140 lbs.	11 ozs.
Vegetables	76 lbs.	13 ozs
Fish	8 lbs.	11 ozs
Fruit	140 lbs	14 ozs.
Milk	3 lbs.	12 ozs
Soup	6 lbs	4 ozs

Non-tinned Foods

Jam	10 lbs	
Pickles		10 ozs
Fish	14 lbs	
Bacon	52 lbs	
Salt	7 lbs	
Spaghetti	1 lb	
Confectionery	4 lbs.	1 oz
Butter	10 lbs	8 ozs

Frozen Foods.

Chicken	79 lbs	12 oz
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2. Milk & Dairies (General) Regulations 1959

No premises were registered under this Act

The Cornwall County Council as the Food & Drugs Sampling Authority reported that 25 samples were taken in the Borough, all of them being satisfactory.

3. Ice-cream.

Three premises were registered during the year for the sale of Ice-cream. The total premises now registered within the Borough is :-

Manufacturers - 1 Dealers - 56.

No samples were submitted to the Public Health Laboratory.

4. Meat Inspection.

The majority of animals killed by the local private slaughterhouse are for export to other areas. 100% meat inspection is carried out. Reactor cattle are still being found under the Ministry of Agriculture's policy of eradication and these inspections are carried out in the slaughterhouse.

	CATTLE			Sheep and Lambs	Pigs
	Cattle (except cows)	Cows	Calves		
Number killed	1063	334	4115	3718	35,685
Number inspected	1063	334	4115	3718	35,685
All diseases except cysticercosis and tuberculosis					
(a) Whole carcase condemned	-	20	7	24	38
(b) Carcase of which some part or organ was condemned	41	40	3	14	394
Tuberculosis only					
(a) Whole carcase condemned	-	-	-	-	-
(b) Carcase of which some part or organ was condemned	11	28	-	-	408
Cysticercosis only					
(a) Whole carcase condemned	-	-	-	-	-
(b) Carcase of which some part or organ was condemned	3	5	-	-	-
Gross weight of meat condemned	9 tons. 14 cwts. 2 st. 10 lbs.				

9 slaughterman's licences were issued during the year to persons employed in the Helston Slaughterhouse.

SECTION F.

GENERAL EPIDEMIOLOGY

The total number of infectious diseases notified during 1966 was 70 compared with 170 in 1965.

Pulmonary Tuberculosis

2 cases of pulmonary tuberculosis were notified throughout the year, giving a case incidence of 0.24 per 1,000 population.

49 contacts of these new notifications were investigated giving a contact rate of 24.5 persons per notified case. The table below shows the type of contact investigated.

Household Contacts

<u>Pre-School.</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Adults</u>	<u>Adolescents</u>	<u>Others</u>
1	2	2	-	44

Tuberculosis Register

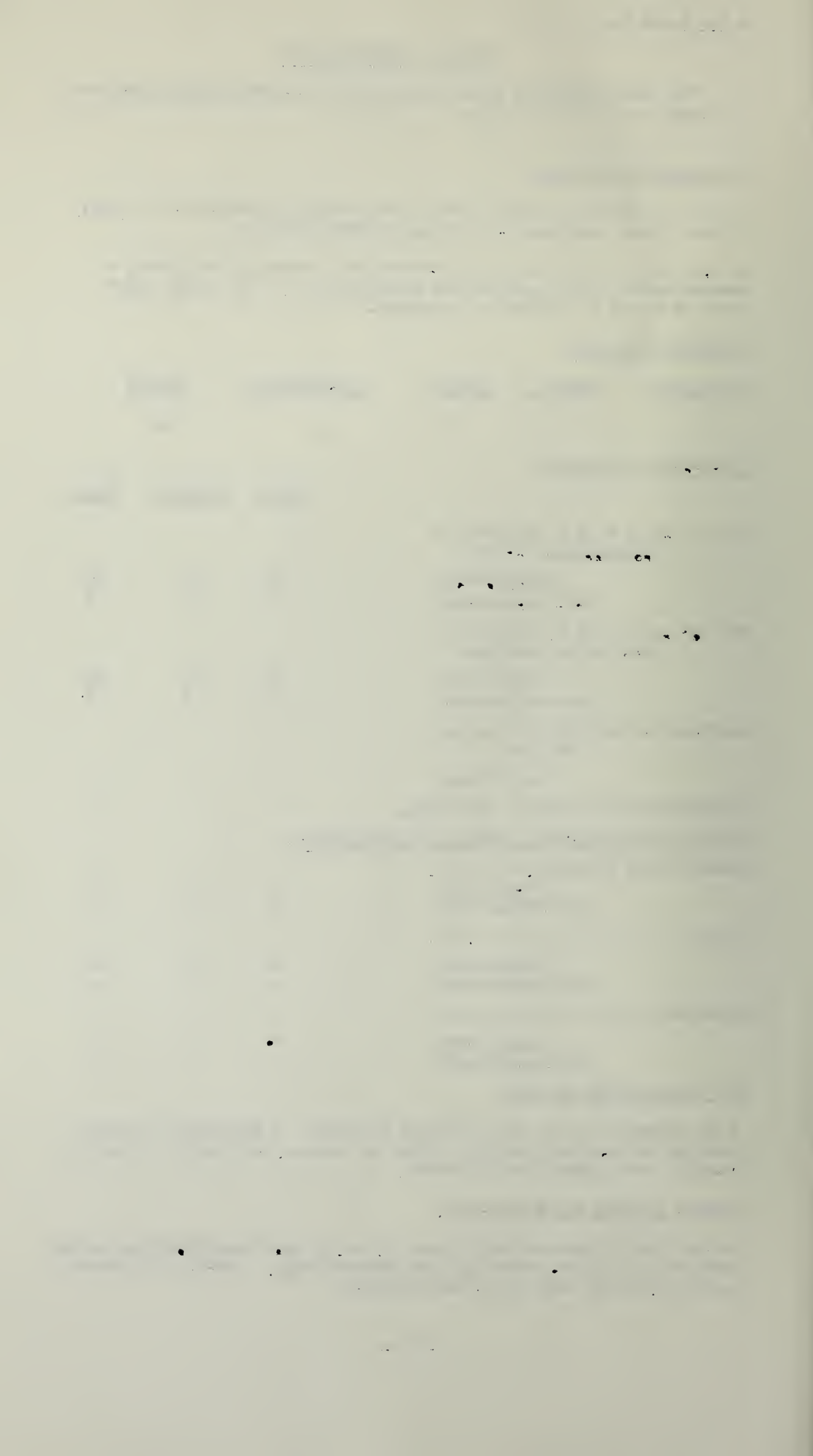
	<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>	<u>Total</u>
No. of cases on T.B. Register at commencement of year			
Respiratory	19	17	36
Non-Respiratory	4	3	7
No. of cases on T.B. Register at the end of the year			
Respiratory	19	12	31
Non-Respiratory	4	3	7
Restored to the Register during the year			
Respiratory	-	-	-
Transferred from another area-Resp.	-	-	-
<u>Removals from Register during Year and Reasons</u>			
Removed from district.....			
Respiratory	1	1	2
Non-Respiratory	1	-	-
Died.....			
Respiratory	-	1	1
Non-Respiratory	-	-	-
Recovered.....			
Respiratory	2	2	4
Non-Respiratory	-	-	-

New Cases during the Year

2 new pulmonary cases were notified in 1966. 1 pulmonary case was admitted to hospital, having a positive sputum, the length of stay in hospital was approximately 8 weeks.

Contact Tracing and Protection.

During 1966, 15 persons were given B.C.G. by the Chest Physician being contacts of persons suffering from tuberculosis. Another 12 persons were B.C.G'd who were not close contacts.



School Children Protection

B.C.G. Vaccination of School Children in Helston Schools.

	<u>Helston</u> <u>Sec. Mod.</u>	<u>Gwealhellis</u> <u>Sec. Mod.</u>	<u>Helston</u> <u>Grammar</u>	<u>TOTALS</u>
Estimated number in Age Group.....	70	140	63	273
Consents..... Number	63	129	55	247
Percentage	90.00	92.14	87.3	90.48
Given Skin Test.....				
Number	55	119	52	226
Percentage	87.3	92.25	94.55	91.5
Positive Reactors.....				
Number	8	20	7	35
Percentage	14.55	16.81	13.46	15.49
Negative Reactors given B.C.G.....	38	82	39	159
No. absent at time of reading.....	3	9	-	12

INFECTION IN SCHOOLS.

Helston Schools. 2 cases of Jaundice were notified from the Infant Schools in May, 1 case of German Measles occurred in July and 4 in November. 7 cases of Chicken Pox were absent from school in November and in December 26 cases of Measles occurred.

Porthleven Schools. 2 cases of Scarlet Fever were notified from the schools in each month of the last quarter of the year. In November and December 3 cases of German Measles occurred. Chicken Pox commenced in September with 10 cases, the next month a peak of 109 pupils were absent from school, reducing to 92 in November. A further 20 cases were notified in December.

LEPROSY.

The Public Health Leprosy (Regulations 1966) came into force on 1st March, 1966, and replaced the Public Health Leprosy (Regulations 1951). The new Regulations apply to Leprosy the provision of the Public Health Acts 1936-1961 for preventing the spread of disease and in particular they set out the requirements for the notification of this disease. No known cases exist in the Borough Council.

RADIO-ACTIVE SUBSTANCES ACT, 1960;

This Act is concerned with the control of accumulation and disposal of radio-active wastes and the registration of premises in respect of the care and use of radio-active materials. No sources are used industrially or in the hospitals in the Borough.

Notifiable Diseases by months during 1966.

Disease	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May.	June.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	TOTAL.
Measles	-	4	-	-	-	2	1	-	-	1	5	53	66
Pulmonary Tuberculosis	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Puerperal Pyrexia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
Whooping Cough	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1

Notifiable Diseases by Age Groups.

Disease	A G E G R O U P S										Total 1966	Total 1965	Incr. or Decr.
	Under 1	1-3	4-5	6-9	10-14	15-19	20-44	45-65	65+				
Measles	1	21	24	19	1	-	-	-	-	66	153	-87	
Pneumonia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-2	
Pulmonary Tuberculosis	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	2	5	-3	
Dysentery	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9	-9	
Puerperal Pyrexia	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	+1	
Whooping Cough	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	+1	
Food Poisoning	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-1	

